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Art Unit <b>2137</b>		Examiner <b>Popham, Jeffrey</b>	
<p>Applicant requests review of the final rejection in the above-identified application. No amendments are being filed with this request.</p> <p>This request is being filed with a notice of appeal.</p> <p>The review is requested for the reason(s) stated on the attached sheet(s). Note: No more than five (5) pages may be provided.</p> <p>I am the</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration number <b>50,843</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent acting under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____</p> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p>			
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Examiner mailed May 8, 2006, finally rejecting Claims 18-20 and 26-46. Applicants also include payment in the amount of \$250.00 for the Notice of Appeal fee specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

Applicants hereby request an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, extending the already extended time for response from Sept 8, 2006 to November 8, 2006. Applicants include payment in the amount of \$700.00, representing the payment of the Notice of Appeal filing fee of \$250.00 and \$450.00 for the second and third month extensions.

Respectfully submitted,

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